

May 2015

City Council Members:

- Ron Bigelow, Mayor
- Corey Rushton, At-Large
- Lars Nordfelt, At-Large
- Tom Huynh, District 1
- Steve Buhler, District 2
- Karen Lang, District 3
- Steve Vincent, District 4

Public Meetings:

City Council - first four Tuesdays of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Planning Commission - second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

City Phone Numbers:

Main Number	801-966-3600
Police Dispatch	801-840-4000
Fire Department	801-963-3336
Emergency	911
Fitness Center	801-955-4000
Garbage	801-955-3720
Storm Water Utility	801-963-3334
Code Enforcement	801-963-3289

Website: www.wvc-ut.gov

City Hall Address: West Valley City Hall 3600 S. Constitution Blvd. WVC, UT 84119

City Hall Hours: Monday – Thursday 7 a.m. – 6 p.m.









Deception Burglaries Blossom in the Spring



Your flowers and trees aren't the only things springing to new life this spring. Unfortunately, this is also the time of year when certain types of crimes spring up as well. The West Valley City Police Department wants to take a proactive approach by letting you know what to look out for in your neighborhoods and what you can do to protect yourself.

Suspects who want inside your home may approach you under a seemingly legitimate role: local gas company, water department, cable company, tree trimmers, pavers, local inspectors, or even government officials. While one suspect talks to you and distracts you, another suspect can get inside your home and search for valuables and cash.

Another type of ruse used

to get into your home is for a suspect to knock on the door and ask for a pen and piece of paper to leave the victim's neighbor a note. The suspect may appear to have difficulty writing the note, and will ask to come inside the house. Once inside the victim's house, the suspect will ask the victim to help write the note. As the suspect keeps the victim occupied, others enter the home to remove money and valuables.

A variety of vehicles have been associated with these crimes including pick-up trucks, vans, and sport utility vehicles.

Be particularly alert to anyone in your neighborhood looking to perform home repairs, or asking to gain entry into your home. Be sure to ask to see identification and let them know you are going to call and get authorization from their company before allowing them access. If they are legitimate, they won't mind the wait.

Remember, if you come across suspicious activity in your neighborhood, do not intervene; please call 911 immediately. We will gladly send an officer to drive through the area. We look forward to working together with you to keep your neighborhoods safe this spring.



The Jordan River Commission is seeking input from West Valley City residents on the future of the river and what is has to offer. Take a short survey at www.wvc-ut.gov/ jordanriver and let your voice be heard.

Got Junk? Dumpster reservations are still available.



In addition to curbside garbage, recycling, and bulky waste, West Valley City provides neighborhood dumpsters for organized neighborhood cleanups.

Dumpsters are not automatically delivered to neighborhoods, and must be reserved. Residents, volunteer neighborhood groups and associations may schedule ten dumpsters for delivery; the resident or group reserving the dumpsters is required advertise the cleanup project.

For more information about reserving a neighborhood dumpster, call 801-955-3723 or visit <u>wvc-ut.gov/dumpsters</u>.

Don't forget about curbside bulky waste collection!



Also remember that West Valley City provides monthly curbside bulky waste collection for large items that won't fit in your regular collection bins.

To find out when curbside bulky waste is collected at your home, call 801-955-3720, or visit www.wvc-ut.gov/bulkywaste.

Exit Plans Help You Get Out Fast



When a building is on fire, you need to get out and get out fast. How can you make sure your family knows exactly what to do? The National Fire Protection Association has some suggestions that make it easy for you to develop your exit plan. Work on an exit plan with your family today and practice your escape routes, then practice those routes at least twice a year.

- Draw a map of your home.
- Show all doors and windows.
- Visit each room.
- Find two ways out.
- All windows and doors should open easily.
- You should be able to use them to get outside.
- Make sure your home has smoke alarms. Push the test button to make sure each alarm is working.
- Pick a meeting place outside. It should be in front of your home. Everyone will meet at the meeting place.
- Make sure your house or building number can be seen from the street.
- Talk about your plan with everyone in your home.
- Learn the emergency phone number.



West Valley City is excited to join the Munzee global scavenger hunt to provide an exciting new way to explore our city. Every month, a new trail will be identified within the city allowing you to explore parks, facilities, venues and other points of interest right here in West Valley City. Prizes will be offered each month for the first person to complete the Munzee trail!

This month's trailhead begins at Fire Station 72 (4314 West 4100 South). Be the first to capture each Munzee on the trail and win a \$25 Cinemark Gift Card!

Visit www.wvc-ut.gov/munzee to learn more. Happy hunting!





Get A Jump On Graffiti Season

Submitted by Cathie Alberico, West Valley City Clean and Beautiful Committee

Warmer weather brings about an increase in graffiti throughout the city. Here's what you need to know if you have been victimized by this ugly crime:

Let the City know when graffiti occurs in your neighborhood. Contact the Police Department at 801-840-4000, call the Graffiti Hotline at 801-963-3467, send a text message to 801-509-2702,

or email graffiti@wvc-ut.gov.

Be sure to remove the graffiti within 24 hours - the sooner it is removed the less likely that it will happen again. It is the property owner's responsibility to remove the graffiti, and many resources are available for graffiti removal: free paint is available in limited quantities and a variety of colors to property owners, and free graffiti removal wipes can be picked up at West Valley City Hall in the Public Relations Office, Room 230, and the Community Preservation Headquarters / Animal Shelter, 4522 West 3500 South.

The citys Graffiti Specialist may make additional recommendations for removal.

More information and be found on the West Valley City website at www.wvc-ut.gov/Graffiti

An election will be held this year for three West Valley City Council seats:

Councilmember At-Large District 1 Councilmember District 3 Councilmember

Qualified candidates may file June 1 through June 8, 2015, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m., and on Friday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For more information, contact the City Recorder at sheri.mckendrick@wvc-ut.gov or 801-963-3203.



Upcoming Events

May

- Meet with Mayor Bigelow City Hall, 4:30 6 PM
- 12 Summer at the Station 3rd Annual Youth Arts Festival Fairbourne Station Plaza, 5 - 6:30 PM
- 13 Lokahi II Art & Artifact Exhibition (Through July 8) Cultural Celebration Center
- 13 WVC Watch Wednesday City Hall, 6 - 8 PM
- 13 Community Meeting with Chief Russo City Hall, 7 8 PM
- 25 Memorial Day Holiday City Offices Closed
- 28 Fire Safety Merit Badge Class Registration required; call 801-963-3336 for more information. Fire Station 74, 6 - 8 PM
- 28 Summer at the Station Free Concert Series Featuring FUNdeMENTALS Fairbourne Station Plaza, 5 - 6:30 PM

- Lokahi II Art & Artifact Exhibition (Through July 8) Cultural Celebration Center
- Meet with Mayor Bigelow City Hall, 4:30 - 6 PM
- Summer at the Station Free Movie in the Park Fairbourne Station, 9:30 PM
- theMix Cultural Celebration Center, 5 - 10:30 PM
- 10 Community Meeting with Chief Russo City Hall, 7 8 PM
- 11 Summer at the Station Free Concert Series Featuring The CountDown Band Fairbourne Station Plaza, 5 - 6:30 PM
- 18 WestFest (through June 21) Centennial Park

New events are added daily. For a complete list, visit www.wvc-ut.gov/events

